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SUBJ: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - SEPT 10

1. HIGHLIGHTS:

--U.S. COVERAGE LIGHT AND NEGATIVE.

--UN DECOLONIALIZATION COMMITTEE GETS ATTENTION
IN BOTH PRAVDA (COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN) AND KZ. COMMENTATOR
SERGEI FILATOV USES COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PR ISSUE
TO HIT AT U.S. EXPLOITATION OF PUERTO RICO WHICH HAS A
RIGHT TO "NATIONAL SELF-DETERMINATION AND SOVEREIGNTY".
KZ, ON OTHER HAND, HAS TASS-NEW YORK ITEM ON COMMITTEE
DELIBERATIONS WHICH IGNORES PUERTO RICO IN FAVOR OF
SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA. TWO ARTICLES TOGETHER AMOUNT
TO LUKEWARM SUPPORT OF CUBA ON PR ISSUE IN UN.

--ALL CENTRAL MEDIA HAVE REPORTED MAO TSE-TUNG'S
DEATH IN A BRIEF TASS ITEM CITING NCNA ANNOUNCEMENT.
THE MEDIA HAVE ALSO CARRIED THE SHORT CONDOLENCE MESSAGE
ADDRESSED TO THE CHINESE CENTRAL COMMITTEE (SEPTEL).
-- THE MEDIA HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR TOTAL SILENCE
TO DATE ON THE SOVIET FIGHTER PILOT WHO LANDED HIS MIG-25
IN JAPAN.

-- PRAVDA REPORTS CONTINUED CLASHES BETWEEN POLICE
AND DEMONSTRATORS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND "OBSERVER" VALENTIN
KOROVNIKOV ADDS ANOTHER SHARP COMMENTARY ALLEGING THE NATO
IN GENERAL AND THE U.S. IN PARTICULAR ARE AIDING THE "RACIST
REGIME". KOROVNIKOV ASKED RHETORICALLY "HOW ELSE CAN
ONE INTERPRET" THE KISSINGER-VORSTER TALKS "WHILE INNOCENT
PEOPLE WERE BEING KILLED IN THE STREETS?" NOVOYE VREMYA
HAS SHORT COMPANION PIECE.

-- IZVESTIYA HAS LONG ARTICLE BY K.PETROV
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ON "DANGEROUS MANEUVERS". ARTICLE COMPLAINS ABOUT "AUTUMN
FORGE" AND TAKES POTSHOT AT DELAY IN FRG-USSR EXCHANGE OF
MILITARY ATTACHES BY NOTING THAT USSR INVITED "MILITARY
OBSERVERS" TO IT MANEUVERS BUT FRG INVITES ONLY
"DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES". PETROV ALSO PICKS OUT
FRG MINDEF LEBER,CDU/CSU AND NATO MILITARY CIRCLES FOR
ATTACK, AND SEES GROWING MILITARISM IN FRG AND ASPIRATIONS
TOWARDS TRADITIONS OF THE PAST. IN CONTRAST TO PERFIDIOUS

AUTUMN FORGE, KZ AGAIN GIVES PAGE ONE SPREAD TO "SHCHIT 76"
LOVE-IN IN POLAND.

--IN CONNECTION WITH SHIELD 76, KZ AND PRAVDA
NOTE INVITATION OF DEFMIN USTINOV TO VISIT POLAND IN
FIRST HALF OF SEPTEMBER. NO MENTION OF WHETHER
USTINOV HAS LEFT OR NOT.
--FRG FONMIN GENSCHER HAS UNUSUALLY FAVORABLE
WRITEUP IN PRAVDA. TASS-BONN STORY REPLAYS GENSCHER'S
STATEMENTS TO FRANKFURT NEWSPAPER STRESSING IMPORTANCE
OF CSCE AND ARGUING "NO ALTERNATIVE" LINE ON DETENTE.

2. U.S. COVERAGE VERY LIGHT BUT ACCENTS THE NEGATIVE.
--IZVESTIYA CARRIES SHORTENED VERSION OF YESTERDAY'S
REPORTAGE ON FORD'S SALT INTERVIEW WITH NOTABLE REMARK,
NOT MADE YESTERDAY, THAT THE PRESIDENT "OPTIMISTICALLY ASSESSED"
SALT CONDITIONS. SAME ARTICLE CLAIMS POLLS NOW SHOW
FORD PULLING UP TO CARTER AFTER BEING FAR BACK FOLLOWING
DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. CPUSA GETS PAT ON BACK
FOR GETTING ON BALLOT IN 15 STATES.
--PRAVDA'A FEUILLETON HAS FANCIFUL STORY OF
"PADRE 007" OPERATING OUT OF LANGLEY IN LATIN AMERICAN
COUNTRY, ONE OF MANY "MISSIONARY-AGENTS".
--"RACIST POGROM" IN NEW YORK (PRAVDA) AND "RACIST
ORGY" IN BOSTON (KZ) PLAY UP RACIAL DISTURBANCE IN GREENWICH
VILLAGE AND BOSTON'S SCHOOL CRISIS.
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